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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Responsive to the Office Action mailed November 20, 2002 in the above-referenced patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of evaluating the atherosclerotic state of an individual, comprising the steps of:

(a) collecting a tissue of interest from said individual;